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Technology Center 2600

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 26, 2002, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please enter the following amended claims:

9. (Amended) A method of fabricating an LCD device having a common electrode, a plurality of scanning lines, a gate insulating film, a plurality of signal lines, a plurality of pixel electrodes and a plurality of pixel areas formed on a first substrate, comprising:

patterning a black matrix on a second substrate; and

disposing liquid crystal between said first substrate and said second substrate, wherein said black matrix covers an area other than said pixel area and said common electrode electrically shields said pixel area from a voltage of said black matrix, and said black matrix

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